

We Claim:

1. A computer-implemented method of displaying an anchor on a web page, comprising the steps of:

- (i) displaying a first web page on a display screen, wherein the first web page comprises a first anchor corresponding to a first URL;
- (ii) receiving a user input corresponding to the user selecting the first anchor;
- (iii) redisplaying the first web page, wherein content associated with the selected anchor is elided.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the content comprises text.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein the content comprises a graphic.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein the content comprises the anchor.

5. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:

- (iv) displaying a second web page in a same browser window as the first web page, wherein the second web page corresponds to the selected anchor.

6. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:

- (iv) displaying a second web page in a browser window other than that in which the first web page is displayed, wherein the second web page corresponds to the selected anchor.

7. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

- (iv) receiving an "undo elision" command from the user; and
- (v) redisplaying the first web page, wherein the most recently elided anchor is displayed.

8. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
 - (iv) receiving an "undo elision" command from the user; and
 - (v) redisplaying the first web page, wherein all previously elided anchors are displayed.

9. The method of claim 1, wherein the first web page further comprises a second anchor corresponding to a second URL;
wherein, in step (i), the second anchor is elided; and
wherein, in step (iii), the second anchor is displayed in response to the user selecting the first anchor.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein the first web page comprises at least three anchors;
wherein at least two of the plurality of anchors are elided in step (i), and wherein each of the elided anchors are associated with a priority level; and
wherein the selection of the second anchor displayed in step (iii) is based on priority level.

11. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps:
 - (iv) storing information corresponding to the selected first anchor in a data file on a computer system;
 - (v) receiving a new source file corresponding to the first web page; and
 - (vi) redisplaying the first web page based on the new copy of the source file, wherein the first anchor is elided.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein the data file comprises a cookie.

13. The method of claim 5, wherein, in step (iii), the content is selectively elided based on whether step (iv) was completed.

14. The method of claim 6, wherein, in step (iii), the content is selectively elided based on whether step (iv) resulted in an error.

15. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of displaying a second web page wherein, in the second web page, second content corresponding to the first selected anchor is elided.

16. The method of claim 15, wherein the second web page is displayed in a second window other than the window in which the first web page is displayed.

17. A computer readable medium comprising computer readable instructions that, when executed by a processor, cause a computer to perform the steps of:

- (i) displaying on a display screen, a first web page, wherein the first web page comprises a first anchor corresponding to a first URL;
- (ii) receiving a user input corresponding to the user selecting the first anchor;
- (iii) redisplaying the first web page, wherein content associated with the selected anchor is elided.

18. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the content comprises text.

19. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the content comprises a graphic.

20. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the content comprises the selected anchor.

21. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the computer readable instructions further cause the computer to perform the step of:

- (iv) displaying a second web page in a same browser window as the first web page, wherein the second web page corresponds to the selected anchor.

22. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the computer readable instructions further cause the computer to perform the step of:

- (iv) displaying a second web page in browser window other than that in which the first web page is displayed, wherein the second web page corresponds to the selected anchor.

23. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the computer readable instructions further cause the computer to perform the steps of:

- (iv) receiving an "undo elision" command from the user; and
- (v) redisplaying the first web page, wherein the most recently elided anchor is displayed.

24. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the computer readable instructions further cause the computer to perform the steps of:

- (iv) receiving an "undo elision" command from the user; and
- (v) redisplaying the first web page, wherein all previously elided anchors are displayed.

25. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the first web page further comprises a second anchor corresponding to a second URL;

wherein, in step (i), the second anchor is elided; and

wherein, in step (iii), the second anchor is displayed in response to the user selecting the first anchor.

26. The computer readable medium of claim 25, wherein the first web page comprises at least three anchors;

wherein at least two of the plurality of anchors are elided in step (i), and wherein each of the elided anchors are associated with a priority level; and

wherein the selection of the second anchor displayed in step (iii) is based on priority level.

27. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the computer readable instructions further cause the computer to perform the steps of:

- (iv) storing information corresponding to the selected first anchor in a data file on a computer system;
- (v) receiving a new source file corresponding to the first web page; and
- (vi) redisplaying the first web page based on the new copy of the source file, wherein the first anchor is elided.

28. The computer readable medium of claim 27, wherein the data file comprises a cookie.

29. The computer readable medium of claim 21, wherein, in step (iii), the content is selectively elided based on whether step (iv) was completed.

30. The computer readable medium of claim 22, wherein, in step (iii), the content is selectively elided based on whether step (iv) resulted in an error.

31. The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein the computer readable instructions further cause the computer to perform the step of displaying a second web page wherein, in the second web page, second content corresponding to the first selected anchor is elided.

32. The computer readable medium of claim 31, wherein the second web page is displayed in a second window other than the window in which the first web page is displayed.

33. A method of displaying hyperlinks in a web page, comprising the steps of:

- (i) displaying elidable hyperlinks in a first color on a display screen; and
- (ii) displaying non-elidable hyperlinks in a second color, different from said first color, on the display screen.

34. The method of claim 33, wherein said first and second colors are specified by a user.

35. A method of selecting anchors to elide on a web page, comprising the steps of:

- (i) displaying a first web page on a display screen, wherein the first web page comprises a first anchor corresponding to a first URL;
- (ii) receiving a user input corresponding to the user selecting the first anchor;
- (iii) when said user input comprises a second predefined input in addition to selecting the first anchor, redisplaying the first web page, wherein content associated with the selected anchor is elided; and
- (iv) when said user input does not comprise a keystroke in addition to selecting the first anchor, redisplaying the first web page, wherein content association with the selected anchor is not elided.

36. The method of claim 11, wherein the data file is a browser client's log file.

37. The computer readable medium of claim 27, wherein the data file is a browser client's log file.

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